



**PATENT
RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 -
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE -
ART UNIT 2833**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No: 10/668,793 Docket No: 581
Filing Date: 09/22/2003 Applicant: Gioni Bianchini
Examiner: NGUYEN, TRUC T Art Unit: 2833
Title: **FIBER OPTIC TRANSCEIVER PACKAGE WITH INTEGRAL EMI GASKET**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action for this application.

STATUS

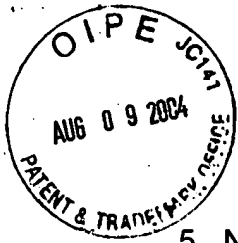
2. Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status.
3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, a conditional petition is hereby made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims has been calculated as follows:

Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra
Total	7	- 20 = 0
Indep.	1	- 3 = 0

No additional fee for claims is required.



FEE PAYMENT

5. No fee is required at this time.

6. Certificate of Mailing (37 CFR 1.8a): I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 06/03/2004, Applicant submits the following:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1 1. (Previously presented) A fiber optic transceiver package comprising:
 - 2 a main transceiver cage, a lower portion of said cage comprising an intermediate rear
 - 3 EMI gasket, said intermediate rear EMI gasket being an integral component of said
 - 4 transceiver cage so that no attaching operation is required to affix said intermediate rear
 - 5 EMI gasket to said transceiver cage, said intermediate rear EMI gasket being formed by
 - 6 at least one upward protruding finger that shields an interior of said transceiver cage.

- 1 2. (Original) The fiber optic transceiver package as defined in claim 1 wherein:
 - 2 said protruding finger has a thickness of at least 0.005 inches.